



Our Docket No: 003594.P016

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 14, 2005, applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the following amendments and to consider the following remarks.

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I hereby certify that I am causing the above-referenced correspondence to be deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated below and that this paper or fee has been addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 13, 2006

Date of Deposit

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Signature

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Date



15/2178/6

FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2005

Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$ 120.00)

Complete If Known	
Application Number	09/475,963
Filing Date	December 30, 1999
First Named Inventor	Roger L. Buis
Examiner Name	Ludwig, Matthew J.
Art Unit	2178
Attorney Docket No.	3594P016

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

Check Credit card Money Order None Other (please identify): _____

Deposit Account Deposit Account Number: 50-3669 Deposit Account Name: IBM Corporation

For the above-identified deposit account, the Director is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply)

Charge fee(s) indicated below Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee
 Charge any additional fee(s) or underpayment of fee(s) Credit any overpayments
 under 37 CFR §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.18 and 1.20.

FEE CALCULATION

1. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

		Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	20	22 ⁺	0	\$0.00
Independent Claims	4	5 ⁺	0	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent				

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	
1202	50	2202	25	Claims in excess of 20
1201	200	2201	100	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	360	2203	180	Multiple Dependent claim, if not paid
1204	790	2204	395	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	300	2205	150	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
SUBTOTAL (1)		(\$)	0.00	

*or number previously paid, if greater. For Reissues, see below

2. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity	Small Entity
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Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet
2053	130	2053	130	Non-English specification
1251	120	2251	60	Extension for reply within first month
1252	450	2252	225	Extension for reply within second month
1253	1,020	2253	510	Extension for reply within third month
1254	1,590	2254	795	Extension for reply within fourth month
1255	2,160	2255	1,080	Extension for reply within fifth month
1401	500	2401	250	Notice of Appeal
1402	500	2402	250	Filing a brief in support of an appeal
1403	1,000	2403	500	Request for oral hearing
1451	1,510	2451	1,510	Petition to Institute a public use proceeding
1460	130	2460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt
1809	790	1809	395	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))
1810	790	2810	395	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))

Other fee (specify)

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